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TAGS: BEXP, PINR, CZ  
SUBJECT: ING. FRANTISEK VALENT, NEW CZECHOSLOVAK COMMERCIAL  
COUNSELOR IN WASHINGTON

1. EMBOFFS HAVE RECENTLY MET VALENT, WHO EXPECTS TO DEPART FOR  
US IN EARLY JULY. HE WILL REPLACE VLADIMIR NOVACEK, WHO  
RETURNED IN LATE 1975.

2. FOLLOWING INFORMATION MAY BE USEFUL TO USG OFFICIALS  
DEALING WITH VALENT. BORN IN CHYNORANY, WESTERN SLOVAKIA IN  
1929, VALENT SAYS HE PREVIOUSLY SERVED IN MADRAS, INDIA AND  
LATIN AMERICA AS A COMMERCIAL OFFICER. HE HAS NEVER VISITED  
THE U.S. BEFORE AND WILL BE ACCOMPANIED THERE BY HIS SLOVAK WIFE,  
VLASTA, 46, WHILE THEIR TWO GROWN SONS REMAIN IN BRATISLAVA.  
VALENT MOST RECENTLY WAS DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER (BASED IN  
BRATISLAVA) OF TRANSAKTA, AN FTO HANDLING BARTER TRADE.  
VALENT IS A KEEN OUTDOORSMAN AND SPEAKS EXCELLENT ENGLISH.  
HIS WIFE IS NOT KNOWN TO THE EMBASSY.

3. COMMENT: VALENT SEEMS INTELLIGENT, QUITE FRIENDLY  
BUT ALWAYS CIRCUMSPECT AND RATHER FORMAL IN HIS  
RELATIONS WITH AMERICANS. DUE TO HIS CONGENIAL NATURE, HE MAY  
UNBEND SOMEWHAT AFTER HE GETS SETTLED IN WASHINGTON AND  
PROVE TO BE MORE FORTHCOMING WITH AMERICANS THAN HE  
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